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Interim Director for Division of Facilities Construction and Management

SALT LAKE CITY – The Department of Administrative Services (DAS) has named Bruce Whittington as the interim director of the Division of Facilities Construction and Management (DFCM). Whittington will step into the position November 1, 2014. A nationwide search will be conducted to find a replacement for Joshua Haines who recently accepted a position in the private sector.

“It is with bittersweet feelings that I have accepted Josh’s resignation,” said DAS Executive Director Kimberly Hood. He has been such a tremendous asset to the DFCM. His ability to forge relationships among stakeholders and to develop and mature internal teams has led the division to dramatic improvements in project management processes. We appreciate his great work and wish him the very best in his future endeavors.”

Under the direction of Haines, further education and certifications were strongly supported with a particular focus on Project Management Professional Certifications (PMP). Internal processes were advanced and standardized, projects were managed through more efficient utilization of current technology, and he increased transparency in the bidding and contract processes. Haines also positioned all DFCM programs to focus on the total life cycle costing of buildings.

Bruce Whittington, a 30-year veteran of the DFCM, has served as the Assistant Director since 2002. Under his direction, all buildings under the direct stewardship of the DFCM were moved to a line-item cost accounting system so detailed building costs could be analyzed and reduced.

“The DFCM is committed to managing the total life-cycle of the State’s buildings,” Whittington said. “Eight-five percent of all building expense comes after the building is built.”

Mr. Whittington is a fundamental contributor to the current direction and focus in DFCM and the DAS will look to him to continue this great work.

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